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In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2005, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: